

March 8, 2026

Morning Worship – 9:30 a.m.

Pastor Elshout

Votum and Salutation*

Psalter 241:1–3*

Reading of the Law: Exodus 20:1–20

Psalter 446:2

Scripture: Isaiah 52:13–15; 53: All

Pastoral Prayer

Psalter 109:1–4*

Sermon Text: Isaiah 53:4, 5

Sermon Theme: Christ's Sacrifice: The Blessed Exchange

1) The two-fold reason for this exchange

2) The two-fold purpose of this exchange

Prayer

Psalter 232:1, 2*

Benediction*

Doxology: Psalter 315*

** Please stand as you are able*

Family Sermon Discussion Questions—Isaiah 53:4, 5 (AM Service)

1. Why would the Jews be inclined to conclude that Jesus was stricken and smitten of God?
- 2*. Why is the little word “but” again a word of great importance?
3. Why do the words of verses 1–3 make the words of verse 5 so extraordinary?
4. Why does Isaiah use two different words for sin: transgressions and iniquities?
- 5*. What does our text teach us about the brutality and violence of the cross?
6. Why are the personal pronouns of verse 5 so very precious to the believer?
7. How does the word “peace” highlight the purpose of Christ's substitutionary death on the cross?
8. How does verse 5 prophesy that Christ would accomplish a complete work for sinners?

Question for Self-reflection

- # Have we learned to cease from our own works and rest solely in the finished work of Christ?

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Evening Worship – 6:00 p.m.

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Votum and Salutation*

Psalter 102:1–4*

Scripture: Romans 7

Confession: Canons of Dordt, Head 2, Art. 5–7 (p. 104)

Psalter 132:1, 5

Pastoral Prayer

Psalter 362: All*

Sermon text: Romans 7:14–25

Sermon Theme: The Christian and Indwelling Corruption

1. A painful reality

2. An intense battle

3. A victorious outcome

Prayer

Psalter 353: All*

Benediction*

Doxology: Psalter 316*

** Please stand as you are able*

Family Sermon Discussion Questions—Romans 7:14–25 (PM Service)

1. What does Paul mean when he says that the law is spiritual (v. 14)?
2. How does Paul express in vv. 14–15 that his indwelling corruption is a painful reality for him?
- 3*. Both believers and unbelievers sin daily. What is the difference?
4. How does Paul express in vv. 18–19 that he is engaged in an intense battle with indwelling sin?
5. What does Paul mean when he says, “It is no more I that do it”?
6. What does Paul mean when he says that evil is present with him when he wants to do good?
- 7*. How do we know with certainty that Paul is not describing his struggle with sin as an unbeliever, but rather, as a believer?
8. How can Paul be so certain that victory will be the final outcome of the believer’s battle with indwelling sin?

Question for Self-reflection

- # Why is there no condemnation for believers who condemn themselves?

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We welcome the congregation and all visitors, to hear the Word of God.

Prayer Requests and Thanksgiving

- A spiritual awakening in our nation.
- Our persecuted brothers and sisters.
- Expecting mothers and those desiring children.
- For those struggling with disappointments and afflictions.
- Our children's education and institutions.
- The war in the Middle East.
- Matthew Blok, stationed in the Middle East

The Senior Spring Dinner is scheduled for Friday, April 29 at 5:30 p.m. at the fellowship hall.

Our Kalamazoo Chorus spring concert is scheduled for Friday, March 27th, 7:30 p.m. at First United Methodist Church in Kalamazoo.

HRC New Jersey is planning the 4th Summer Retreat for ages 19-30 on June 18-22, with an optional day trip at the Jersey Shore on June 22 to evangelize and fellowship. The theme is "Paul- a Servant of Jesus Christ." Early Bird Pricing ends April 15. More information can be found online at hrcnj.org/retreat

The wedding ceremony of Dan Nyhoff and Victoria Damon will take place at our church on Saturday, March 14 at 10:00 a.m.

The consistory announces that Jonathan and Sarah Manring with 4 baptized children, and Jonathan and Elisabeth Van Reenen with one baptized and one unbaptized child, have been approved to become full members of our congregation.

Grace Christian Academy is currently accepting applications for a high school teaching position in any combination of the following subject areas: Mathematics, Science, Language Arts, and Social Studies. Qualified candidates are encouraged to contact James Bazen at james.bazen@gcagr.org for additional information.

Dates & Events D.V.

Mar 9 Congregational meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Mar 12 Women prayer meeting at Arielle's home at 8:00 p.m.

Mar 19 PCS 'AI' Presentation at 7:00 p.m. See Calendar for details.

Mar 22 Pastors Macleod and Kuivenhoven will serve us.

Mar 25 Pastor Macleod will preach a preparatory sermon at 7:30 p.m.

Mar 30 The Lord 's Supper will be administered.

Sinners can do nothing but make wounds that Christ may heal them; and make debts, that He may pay them... and dig hells to themselves, that He may ransom them.

Now I will bless the Lord that ever there was such a thing as the free grace of God, and a free ransom given for sold souls; only, alas! guiltiness maketh me ashamed to apply to Christ, and to think it pride in me to put out my unclean and withered hand to such a Saviour! But it is neither shame nor pride for a drowning man to swim to a rock, nor for a ship-broken soul to run himself ashore upon Christ.

Samuel Rutherford

Nursery

Mar 8 a.m.	Infants	Florina DeVries
	Toddlers	Cali VanDyke, Naomi Vergunst
Mar 8 p.m.	Infants	Kaarli Kleppe
	Toddlers	Hailey DeVries, Natalie D.
Mar 15 a.m.	Infants:	Rachelle Timmermans
	Toddlers	Jamie Marcus, Madison DeVries
Mar 15 p.m.	Infants	Hannah Greendyk
	Toddlers	Heather Ferguson, Maele T.

Greeters

Morning

Evening

Mar 8	Bryan K	Jared S
Mar 15	Tom V	Bill T
Mar 22	Ben T	Tim D

Collections

The Education Fund will be collected each Lord's Day.

Mar 8: Discretionary **Mar 15:** Needy: Designated for *Open Doors*, which alleviates Christian persecution in Nigeria.

March 22 General

Please send in requests for prayer or announcements to:
KazooReformedChurch@gmail.com

(Bulletin goes to print Friday p.m.)

Website: KalamazooReformed.org

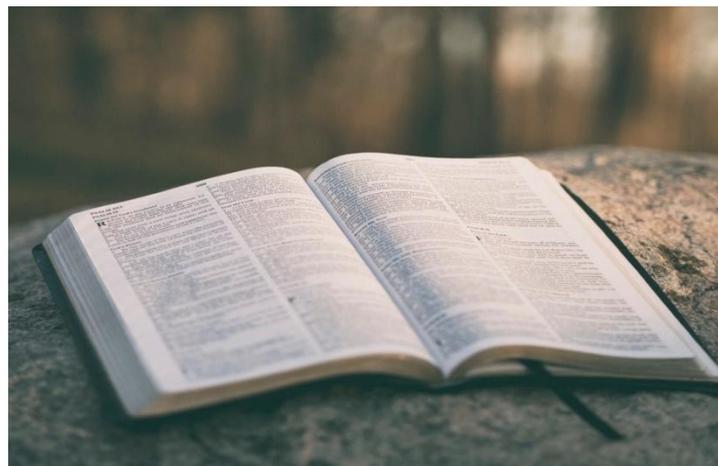
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Passion

They that hate me without a cause are more than the hairs of mine head: They that would destroy me, being mine enemies wrongfully, are mighty: then I restored that which I took not away.

~ Psalm 69:8